

1812, chapter 191, so far as relates to Dorchester county.
And,

By Mr. Tidball, An act to authorise the moderator and commissioners of Hager's Town to levy the sum of three hundred dollars for certain purposes.

Which said bills were severally read the first time, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Banning submitted the following message, which was twice read.

By the House of Delegates, February 15th, 1827.
Gentlemen of the Senate,

As an inducement to produce dispatch of business, and to draw the session to as early a close as possible, we propose, with the concurrence of your honourable body, to fix on ——— to adjourn the legislature. There is every reason to believe that, by that time all essential business may be brought to a close, and as we all agree, that the less done, besides what is indispensably necessary, the better, the earlier we can return to our homes, the more welcome we shall be to our constituents.

Mr. Teackle offered the following as a substitute therefor, which was also twice read.

By the House of Delegates, Feb. 13, 1827.
Gentlemen of the Senate,

With a view to the adjournment of the legislature, we propose, with your concurrence, to appoint a joint committee to examine into and report upon the business necessary to be acted upon. Messrs. ——— are appointed on the part of this house to act, in conjunction with such gentlemen as may be appointed on the part of your honourable body.

On motion by Mr. John W. Thomas, the question was taken, That the further consideration of the message and substitute proposed, be indefinitely postponed? And the same was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Beall submitted the following resolution, which was twice read.

Resolved by the House of Delegates, That the executive be requested, as early as practicable, to report to this house, the return of the adjutant general, the actual state and number of arms of every description, cannon, muskets, rifles, pistols, swords, &c. &c. that are in this city, and elsewhere, and to ascertain the probable costs of placing them in a state of usefulness, and the time required to do so.

On motion by Mr. Stevens, the same was amended by striking out the first word, "Resolved," and inserting in lieu thereof, the word, "Ordered."

On motion by Mr. Du Val, the same was further amended, by the insertion, after the word, "elsewhere," the words, "belonging to this state."

The order, amended as above, was then adopted.

On motion by Mr. Thompson, it was Ordered, That the committee of grievances and courts of justice, be requested to inquire into the propriety of purchasing two hundred copies of a